

ALARM
TO
LONDON

IN A SCRILL VOICE
TO

Its Inhabitants.

Preacher at Waltham-Abbey
in Hertfordshire.

He being dead, yet speaketh.

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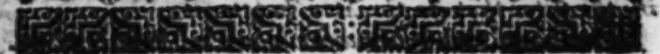
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TO THE

RELIGIOUS CITIZENS

OF

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Which are sensible of the Sins,

And do supplicate for the Safety of the CITY.

Honoured Sir, and Citizens of a Famous City, etc.

Apply your selves to the right work, and fall

to right-down Christianity. Let him be the

best Man, which can be most vertuous

and zealous in this Religious service.

Its as hard to preserve a City, as to

build it, when it is grown crazy with sin, they must

be Master Workmen that can preserve the decay of it, or

keep it from a downfall.

Such witnesses I chiefly magnifie, which are perspi-

cuous in Graces, and the eyes that see them bless them

THO. REEVE.

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for their Piety, whose chief Mart is in Heaven, and Trade for such Riches as exceed all the Treasures of Earth, which weigh over London's sin; there are few in the City that do threaten Judgments.

But I should fain know, what way you have taken for penitence, and bring such vast numbers out of the bondage of their corruptions and destruction?

Religious Citizens, fly from all pleasures, contemn all Honours, be frugal for usings to the splendour of the City; so long as people are settled upon their Lees, think there is some emptying of the Vessel at hand, when you are laid in your beds, suppose that a punishing God may awaken you, when you are at your Feasts, that vengeance may bring in the Voyder.

When ye are selling your Wares, that your last Bargains are even making. When ye are selling over your Thousands that you are but pursuing up for a great Receiver.

Expect every hour when a shrill Trumpet should be blown in the Streets; when nothing should be heard among you, but Tumult, Distraction, wailing and crying, alas! alas! as they gather together, and see how many Penitents there are among you, for they are the best Citizens; they may fast away all Perils, and pray away all Judgments of God in all.

This is the right way to safety, walk in it, and you are gone beyond danger. Thus I leave my Motion to your Consciences, the Practice of it with your Hearts, and the success to the blessing of him in Heaven, and you shall be the Graces of Christ.

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no other Musick to be heard but doleful knells;
no other Wars to be fought up and down
but Dead Bodies: Mansion Houses it will
change into Pest Houses; the busiest servants
with be Keepers; and the most active Officers,
Searchers. They shall lye down at night
without the least spot seen upon them, and
rise up in the Morning with Gods Tokens vi-
sible upon them. They shall walke out of
their Houses without the least dis-aylement or
distemper, and drop down before they can get
home to their own Threshold. Then the Bro-
ther will scarce look upon the Sister, the Hus-
band fear to come near his Wife: A Porter
rare to be hired to go on thy Errand; or a
Friend as difficult to be seen. Of all miseries
the Pestilence is the fray of all dreadful things
which can happen upon Earth, this is the hor-
ror. Oh, that you would cleanse your Sins
with Repentance; that this Infection might
not breed out of your Sins, dissemble not to
the last. Oh, let Judgment denounced quicken
you. If God threaten, believe; if he put on
Justice like a Cloak, do ye cast away your
Robes; if he doth frown, do ye weep; if he
show mercy, do ye not forget to be merciful. bo

the setting of your Sins in order before you, do you confess them wifely, be turning into the visiting ways, do ye turn every one from his evil ways; nothing but Repentance can secure you, vengeance is awakt with the noise of your Sins. There are many which do wish for your destruction, and are for y that they cannot make you the miserable of the Earth; they consult sad things concerning you; their brains do work, their hearts do boyl; their moutches do foam, and they would willingly be stretching out their hands to shake you and shiver you. You have Enemies within your City, ye have Enemies in your own Consciences; your Sins do threaten more Calamities against you, than all the inveterate implacable Adversaries which you have upon Earth.

Escape vengeance by flying provocation. Your City is threatned, take heed ye do not sleep out the hour of your security. Presumption may subvert, ~~Let~~ ² Contrition deliver you. The time may be short, the work is great, the danger is apparent, the misery will be unspeakable. All your Goods are ready to be sacrificed to vengeance, bring forth your sin-offering.

thing, before the Sparks have taken fire.
 There be any meaning to a Warning, or
 of Threatning, obedience to Counsel, for
 sight of Danger, sting of Guilt, or obligation
 of Duty, pitty the City, and petition for the
 City, shed lakes of Tears to obtain the peace
 of the City; wear Sackcloth, lest ye are haked,
 fast lest ye starve, creep upon your knees, lest
 ye creep into corners; shut your selves into
 your Closets; lest ye be shut into Dungeons;
 fly to Heaven, lest ye fly out of the Land.
 Oh, that I could make you thus to believe God
 and serve God: your humiliation should free
 you from all dangers; your Wails shall not be
 battered, your Shops not Rusted, your Per-
 sons not Massacred, but all your Priviledges
 Ratified.

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